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Connie Debenport Earns Certified Professional Public Buyer (CPPB) Credential

Connie Debenport was recently notified by the Universal Public Procurement Certification Council (UPPCC) that she has earned recognition from the UPPCC by receiving the Certified Professional Public Buyer (CPPB) credential.

Connie was among 164 professionals who successfully completed the CPPB examination held October 15-27, 2012. Established in 1964 this prestigious certification is an outstanding honor for individuals employed in the public procurement profession and is an asset to their specific division of governmental administration.

To date, 9,085 procurement professionals have achieved this accomplished status. To become certified as a CPPB, candidates must demonstrate through an application process that they meet specific requisites established by the UPPCC; including formal education, procurement related coursework/training, public purchasing experience and functional management experience. A comprehensive written examination is required to confirm the candidate's mastery of the body of knowledge for public procurement professionals. The CPPB certification recognizes only those professionals who have fulfilled these prescribed standards of competency in public procurement.

Quotation from industry leaders regarding the UPPCC Certification:

Bobbie Mathews, CPPO, CPPB, President of NIGP: the Institute of Public Procurement (NIGP)

"Through attaining your professional public procurement certification, you are demonstrating that you possess the experience, education and knowledge required to meet the ever increasing challenges facing today's public procurement professionals both nationally and internationally. Your certification is a clear illustration to your internal and external stakeholders of your commitment to excellence in public procurement. Congratulations!"